**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH**
**ABSTRACT**

Public Services – Machilipatnam Municipality - Allegations of misappropriation of Municipal funds and improper maintenance of records etc. against Sri N.J.Ratna Kumar, the then Town Planning Officer (Expired), Machilipatnam Municipality – Departmental action initiated under A.P.Civil Services (CCA) Rules 1991 – Charged Officer expired on 05.06.2022 - Further action abated subject to recovery of loss proved in the inquiry from his terminal benefits, in terms of Rule-9 (7) of APRP Rules, 1980 – Orders – Issued.

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MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION & URBAN DEVELOPMENT (Vig.II-I) DEPARTMENT

**G.O.Rt.No.256** **Dated: 18.04.2023**

**Read the following:**

1. From the Director General, G.A. (V&E) Department, Alert Note No.69, (C.No.2056/V&E/DI/06) dated.16.07.2009.
2. G.O.Rt.Nos.436, MA&UD (E1) Department, dated.21.04.2010.
3. G.O.Rt.No:529, MAUD (Vig.II,1) Dept., dt.26.08.2019.
4. Inquiry Report of Sri.G.Nagaraju, RDMA & Inquiry Officer, Visakhapatnam, Lr. Roc.No. 498/2017/A3, dt: 12.01.2023

**O R D E R**

Based on the report of G.A. (V&E) Department, in the reference 1st read above, disciplinary action has been initiated against Sri N.J.Ratna Kumar, the then Town Planning Officer, Machilipatnam Municipality, on the allegations of misappropriation of Municipal funds and improper maintenance of records etc., in the Machilipatnam Municipality vide reference 2nd read above.

2. In the reference 3rd read above, Government appointed Sri.G.Nagaraju, RDMA, Rajahmundry, as an Inquiry Officer to inquire into the charges framed against Sri N.J.Ratna Kumar, the then Town Planning Officer and others of Machilipatnam Municipality.

3. The Inquiry Officer conducted inquiry and submitted his report, in reference 4th read above and reported that as per V&E Report an amount of Rs. 2,24,900/- to be collected towards encroachment tax for the financial year 2006-07 and the records of 2004-05- & 2005-06 are not available during inspection. Hence, the in action of the Charged Officer causes to loss an amount of Rs.2,24,900/- to the Machilipatnam Municipality. The Inquiry Officer has further reported that Sri N.J.Ratna Kumar, the then Town Planning Officer was expired on 05-06-2022 and the charges may be abated as per rules in force and the loss may be recovered from the legal heir of the Charged Officer, as per the report of the V&E Department.

4. Government after careful examination of the Inquiry Report, submitted by the Inquiry Officer, Government, hereby abate further disciplinary action against Sri N.J.Ratna Kumar, the then Town Planning Officer, Machilipatnam Municipality, as he was expired on 05.06.2022; subject to recovery of loss proved in the inquiry from his terminal benefits, in terms of Rule-9(7) of AP Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

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5. The Director of Town and Country Planning, A.P, Mangalagiri, shall take necessary further action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

**Y. SRILAKSHMI**
**SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To
The Director of Town and Country Planning, A.P, Mangalagiri.
The legal heir of late Sri N.J.Ratna Kumar, the then Town Planning Officer, Machilipatnam Municipality through Director of Town Planning, A.P, Mangalagiri.

**Copy to:**
The Municipal Commissioner, Machilipatnam Municipality.
The Accountant General (A&E), AP, Vijayawada..
Sc/Sf.

**//FORWARDED BY ORDER//**

**SECTION OFFICER.**